

SENATE RESOLUTION 37
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A RESOLUTION to honor and commend Judy Stanley upon receiving the Belz-Lipman Educator of the Year Award.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to specially recognize those outstanding teachers who have devoted their careers to providing the highest quality education for Tennessee's students; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Judy Stanley is one such estimable educator, who has distinguished herself as a professional of the greatest dedication, ability, and integrity; and

WHEREAS, Judy Stanley has been named the 2005 Belz-Lipman Educator of the Year for Middle Tennessee, an honor most befitting her outstanding tenure as a teacher as it recognizes the positive influence she has had on so many young lives; and

WHEREAS, the recipients of the prestigious Belz-Lipman Award are selected for their outstanding curriculum and classroom work in raising their students' awareness of and their knowledge about the Holocaust; and

WHEREAS, a Journalism and English teacher, Ms. Stanley has served with the utmost acumen and alacrity throughout her outstanding tenure at Springfield High School; by teaching about the Holocaust, Judy Stanley shows her students the importance of tolerance and democracy in our society; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Stanley teaches her advanced English classes about the Holocaust, and requires these students to read *The Diary of Anne Frank* and write research papers about the Holocaust; when possible, she also has Holocaust survivors speak to her students; and

WHEREAS, in 2003, Ms. Stanley and her students prepared a script for a video that addressed Holocaust issues; this student-produced-and-edited video aired on the local

education channel thus offering the opportunity for the entire community to learn more about and better understand the atrocities of Holocaust; and

WHEREAS, during Holocaust Remembrance Week, Judy Stanley and her students make daily announcements to educate and inform the entire student body about the inhumanity of the Holocaust; and

WHEREAS, she has spread Holocaust awareness throughout the community by speaking at the Yom Ha Shoah Commemoration; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Stanley is an extremely talented and compassionate educator who works assiduously to motivate her students to learn from history's atrocities by avoiding their repetition; and

WHEREAS, Judy Stanley sets an excellent example for her students, as she is very involved in her community, and she epitomizes the spirit and commitment that are characteristic of a true Tennessean; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Stanley serves as an inspiration to her colleagues and students alike, and her friendship and counsel are highly valued by those who are fortunate to know her; and

WHEREAS, Judy Stanley truly epitomizes the ideal of the dedicated teacher who is wholly committed to the highest ideals of public service and quality education for all, and she should be specially recognized; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we hereby honor and commend Judy Stanley upon receiving the 2005 Belz-Lipman Educator of the Year Award for Middle Tennessee, thank her for her meritorious service to the children of Tennessee, and extend to her our best wishes for every future success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.